

## PLEA OF GUILTY BY MRS. WARREN IN CUSTOM FRAUD

Counsel Urges Clemency Because of Architect-Husband's War Work.

Mrs. Charlotte A. Warren, wife of Whitney Warren, the architect who designed the Grand Central Terminal and many other important New York structures, pleaded guilty today before Judge Martin Manton in the Federal Criminal Court to defrauding the United States Government by making a false return to customs inspectors on her return from a trip to Europe two years ago.

John Crim, special counsel for Mrs. Warren, made a long plea for clemency, his chief ground being that Mrs. Warren's husband has been on war duty in France for two years.

Prosecutor Frank Carstarphen, in asking the court to inflict a sentence that would be sufficient to stir Mrs. Warren out of her apparent calm, said she was in trouble with the customs authorities ten years ago. He characterized her offense as a deliberate attempt to violate the laws of this country and ridiculed Mr. Crim's plea that Mrs. Warren was a helpless traveler depending entirely on her maids to attend to the details of the customs examination.

Mr. Carstarphen pointed out that Mrs. Warren had crossed the ocean many times and was familiar with the methods of the customs officers because she was compelled, as were all other cabin passengers, to make out and sign returns on the amount of dutiable goods in her possession. He said she had not only made a false declaration but had deliberately and repeatedly falsified since she was arrested. He pointed out that she changed her plea of not guilty to guilty only when she was called before the bar this morning.

The Government has recovered by a civil suit \$11,608.32 in customs duties and penalties from Mrs. Warren and her companions on the trip as the conclusion of which she made the false return. Miss Evelyn Byrd Burden, one of the companions, pleaded guilty before Judge Manton last summer and was fined \$2,500.

Mrs. Warren was the only woman in the courtroom during the arguments of counsel. She was as calm as though in her own drawing-room while Carstarphen scored her, but she showed some concern when, at the conclusion of the arguments, Judge Manton announced he would postpone the infliction of sentence until tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The court said he wanted to look up the records of Mrs. Warren's previous experience with customs inspectors in which she was accused of making false returns of dutiable goods.

**TEACHER CHASES TRAIN  
IN AUTO TO CATCH GIRLS**

LOCUST VALLEY, Pa., Nov. 15.—Caught after a pursuit by train and automobile, four girls who ran away from the Friends' Academy here are back in that institution today. They are about eighteen years old and two live in Brooklyn and two in Albany. Their names have not been made public. It is said to be the first time girls ever ran away from the institution.

## HOW SOCIETY WOMEN DRESS FOR HORSE SHOW IN AID OF RED CROSS



MRS. DAVID WAGSTAFF.

### NO HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA WITHOUT LOYALTY PLEDGE

Every Student Must Sign Before Graduation, Education Board Committee Rules.

All graduates of high schools in the city of New York will hereafter be required to pledge their loyalty to their State and National Governments before receiving diplomas, Dr. Tildes, associate superintendent of the Committee of High Schools of the Board of Education, announced today. He characterized this move as a check to the rumored sedition and unattractive talk of teachers and pupils.

The following resolution, offered by Principal V. J. of the Eastern District 11 High School, was unanimously adopted: "No student of a high school in the city of New York shall receive a diploma unless the school records show the moral character of the student to be beyond reproach and (in the absence of reason to the contrary) acceptable to the Board of Superintendents; each student shall sign a pledge of loyalty to the United States and to the State of New York."

### CANDIDATES FILE EXPENSES.

Schneider Spent \$21,000 and Prendergast Nothing Personally.

Campaign expenses of individual candidates, but not of campaign committees were filed today in large numbers with the Board of Elections. County Clerk Schneider spent \$21,000 in his successful campaign, while his opponent, Edward M. Morgan, reported that he neither received nor expended a cent. His campaign committee attended to that.

Comptroller Prendergast was among those who report that they did not have to give a cent personally. Roosevelt, Fusion candidate for Mayor, reported spending \$7,142. None of the Mayor's candidates has filed a report. Campaign committees will file the reports with the Secretary of State before Nov. 26.

## Semi-Formal Costumes Supplant Brilliant Gowns Of Other Horse Shows

Owing to the War Many Appear in Subdued Garb, but Some Elaborate Toilettes Are Noted—Gems Sparkle Under Gorgeous Wraps.

By Mildred Lodewick.

A few years ago it would hardly have been considered good taste to appear in a box on the opening night of the Horse Show attired in anything but evening dress, but this year many semi-formal costumes were seen, especially among the younger set, whose escorts were mostly in khaki or army blue.

This lack of former glitter and brilliancy made the big red-lighted Greek cross (symbolic of the Red Cross), to which society the proceeds of this year's Horse Show will go, and the flickering blue lights which peeped like stars through the green shrouds appear all the more bright. It must not be inferred, however, that jewels were scarce, for both diamonds and pearls were glimpsed under the luxurious wraps of those in evening dress.

Mrs. Lewis Clarke had on a beautiful diamond necklace which sparkled at her throat and a diamond brooch. She wore a gown which entirely glittered in tints of blue and gray. Her hat of black and metal cloth had lines both stunning and becoming, accentuated by two awning sprays of paradise.

Mrs. Edward Stotesbury wore a wonderful collar of pearls, dropping two chains of graduated pearls, one longer than the other. Her gown of black satin and black lace was conspicuous for the large jet tassel which hung from the right shoulder in front. She wore a chinchilla wrap, and her hat, tilted at just the right angle, offered a resting place for two sprays of paradise placed at the back, but pointing toward the front.

With her in the Stotesbury box were her daughter, Mrs. Walter Brookes Jr., and Miss Lota Robinson of Philadelphia. The latter's hat was

of most unusual lines, unique in the realm of evening hats, as will be seen by my sketch. Gourette feathers heightened the effect on one side and gave a smart and becoming angle. The coat was of wide gold and black striped with heavy black silk tassels weighting the sleeves.

Mrs. Jerome Bonaparte presented an attractive picture wearing a beautiful fur scarf thrown over one shoulder, revealing a gown of black velvet and satin, trimmed with strands of sparkling jet. The skirt was a most artfully cut and draped affair, dripping first a velvet point and then a chiffon one, about two of each in all, hung over a satin foundation. To complete the toilette was a hat of gracefully sweeping brim and low crown, whose only trimming was black agrettes shooting out from a fur ball placed at one side of the crown.

Mrs. David Wagstaff, entertaining a party of friends, was charmingly attired in a frock of black chiffon trimmed in the newest and smartest of ways with fur, and the fur was baby lamb, without a kink in it. The effect was exceedingly luxurious, yet conservative, as will be seen in my sketch. The back of the frock had a panel weighted with fur the same as the front. A brooch of emeralds and pearls to match a pair of earrings, clasped the neck. This costume was completed with a hat trimmed with dull blue ostrich feathers, and a dull blue facel.

With Mrs. Charles Munn Jr. in her box was Mrs. Gurnee Munn. Both were in black velvet. Mrs. Charles Munn's gown was pretty in its simplicity and elegance, a turn-down collar of chinchilla fur completing the neck and a band of the same finishing the bottom of the skirt. Tight sleeves and plain bodice were unadorned except for a corsage of orchids. Mrs. Gurnee Munn's hat was a creation of the milliner's art, being of brown velvet matching in color her sable fur, and the broad slightly curved-down brim was accented by soft flat fur around the edge. From the low crown which fitted the head two sparse wisps of paradise sprang the crown.

Miss Ruth Bliss, in her father's box, wore a frock of dull blue with silver trimming and a hat of brown mauline with a cloth of gold crown, the brim flaring slightly at the back. She, like many others at the show, carried her knitting bag.

### MOTHER ENDS HER LIFE WHEN SON IS DRAFTED

Williamsburg Woman Puts Gas Tube in Mouth After Long Brooding.

Fumes of gas awakened William Nylan at 5 o'clock this morning and he found his wife, Josephine, forty-five years old, lying dead on the floor of the kitchen of their home, No. 43 Oliver Street, Williamsburg, with gas pouring into her mouth through a rubber tube she had attached to a fixture. Mrs. Nylan is said to have brooded over the fact that her son, William Jr., had been drafted for army service.

### \$7,500 JEWELRY IS STOLEN.

South Orange Home Near That of Edison Is Robbed. Jewelry valued at \$7,500 was stolen last evening from the residence of James A. Sutherland at No. 589 Center Street, South Orange, N. J. A window on the second story was entered by means of a ladder while the family was out. The scene of the robbery is about three miles from the home of Thomas A. Edison, which was entered by a burglar Tuesday night.

## SEIZURE OF 10,000 TONS OF SUGAR HERE IS URGED

Moskowitz Would Commandeer Supply Held for Russia to Relieve Famine.

Post Commissioner Moskowitz this morning proposed that the New York sugar famine be relieved by commandeering 10,000 tons of sugar now held here for the Russian Government.

The plan was outlined by Mr. Moskowitz in a letter to George P. Hoiph, sugar expert for the Federal Food Administration. The Commissioner said the only way to commandeer the sugar was through power vested in the President.

If New York does not get that 10,000 tons the prospect for immediate relief will not be bright. There are 40,000 tons available in Hawaii, but it would take six weeks to ship it here, if the ships were available.

Conferences are still on with Cuban sugar planters, but no agreement has been reached. The planters want 43-4 cents a pound, and the Government wants to pay only 12.

## SMOKE SHAFT BLAZE WAKENS HOTEL WOODWARD

Scores Driven From Rooms, Shiver in Lobby Till Firemen Put Out Fire.

Four hundred residents of the Hotel Woodward, at Broadway and Fifty-fifth Street, and a number of tenants of the Woodward Apartments, adjoining, in 35th Street, were driven from their rooms early today when fire started in a smoke conveyor leading from the hotel kitchen upward through a light shaft.

In various stages of undress, fifty or more hotel guests sought refuge in the lobby while the firemen were at work. Most of them lacked even the necessities for a cold morning, but those who had carried pet dogs to safety saw to it that the animals were protected against the cold air.

A policeman on West Fifty-fourth Street who had seen the glare turned in the alarm. With several other policemen he ran to the hotel and aided in getting the guests from their rooms without panic. After half an hour's work, Battalion Chief Owen McKernan and his men extinguished the blaze, and the guests returned to their smoky rooms.

## WIFE THROWN IN BAY FROM BOAT, SHE SAYS

Mrs. Ready Charges Husband Pushed Her Under Twice When She Tried to Save Self.

On his wife's complaint that he tried to drown her, Harry Ready of No. 229 East 114th Street was held in \$1,000 bail this morning by Magistrate McGowan in the West Farms Court. The charge is felonious assault. Mrs. Philadelphia Ready alleges that on Nov. 9 she and her husband and their two-year-old son Daniel went fishing in Pelham Bay. Suddenly her husband stood up in the boat, she says, and without saying a word caught her by the heels and threw her into the water. "I could swim," Mrs. Ready told detectives, "and I reached the boat, but my husband brushed my hands away and pushed my head under. When I came up he did it again. Just before I became unconscious I saw him jump in."

It is said that Ready eventually rescued his wife. He was arrested by Detective Hegemony and Morell last night after a chase in which they fired three shots.

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## MAYOR IS CLEARED IN PHILADELPHIA POLITICAL MURDER

Court Decides Smith Had No Knowledge of Fifth Ward Conspiracy.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 15.—Mayor Smith was cleared of connection with the political conspiracy which resulted in the killing of a policeman here on primary election day in an opinion by Judge Martin Finley in Quarter Sessions Court. But the Mayor was held under his own recognition to await the action of the grand jury with William Finley on the technical charge of conspiracy to murder. Finley's bail was reduced from \$10,000, which was originally imposed, to \$500.

The decision was in connection with habeas corpus proceedings brought on behalf of the Mayor and Finley. The court ruled that apparently Mayor Smith had no knowledge of the Fifth Ward conspiracy.

In the opinion of the court it would require a strained construction of the evidence to regard any of the acts charged to Isaac Deutsch, a Common Councilman, and Vane, leader in the ward, as the furtherance of a design to permit the use of the administration to his advantage.

The decision relieves the Mayor of the \$10,000 bail originally imposed upon him.

**Double Term for Gem Fraud.**  
Rudolph Kassler, of No. 950 Aldus Street, the Bronx, who defrauded Maiden Lane dealers out of jewelry worth \$4,000, was today sentenced to a double term in Sing Sing prison by Judge Mulqueen in General Sessions. On each of two indictments Kassler

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